

2019 Kullu bus accident

On 20 June 2019, an overloaded bus fell into a deep drain in Dhoth Morh, tehsil <u>Banjar</u>, <u>Kullu district</u> in <u>Himachal Pradesh</u>. At least 44 people died and 34 others were injured in the accident. [1][2]

Accident

The private bus registration number (HP 66-7065) was running on Kullu-Gadagushaini route. Two kilometres from Banjar bus stand, it fell into the deep gorge on a sharp turn at Bhiyoth. As the bus was travelling on an uphill section of road, near Dhoth Morh, it came to a bend where it fell down the gorge in Banjar nullah. The death toll rose to 44 and the injured were taken to Banjar hospital in ambulances. The injured were getting treatment at Banjar and Kullu hospitals, whereas seriously injured were sent to PGIMER, Chandigarh. Most of the victims were students of Government Degree College, Banjar going back to home.

Investigation

The Chief Minister, <u>Jai Ram Thakur</u> Himachal Pradesh, ordered a magisterial inquiry to be conducted by the Additional District Magistrate, Kullu. Thakur said that stern action will be taken against the bus owners if found guilty of overloading. [5]

References

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Location in Himachal Pradesh, India



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Details

Date 20 June 2019

4 PM IST

Location Dhoth Morh, tehsil Banjar,

district Kullu, Himachal

Pradesh, India

2 km (1.2 mi) from Banjar

Coordinates 31.63°N 77.35°E

Country India

Operator Private bus

Incident type Fell into the over 300-metre-

deep nullah (drain)

Statistics

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Bus	Registration number HP 65- 7065
Passengers	70
Crew	2
Deaths	44
Injured	34

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